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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 21, 1909.

Senator Beveridge, (Rep., Ind.), proposes that a tax of one-tenth of 1 per cent. be levied upon the incomes of interstate corporations. The Senator is exceptionally sanguine in temperament, but his knowledge of Senatorial affairs should teach him that such a proposition stands not the ghost of a chance.

When a "blind account" in a broker's office is traced to a prominent politician and it is then found that it has been "carried" at a heavy loss for a year or two with no attempt at collection, newspapers generally conclude that "a good story" is at hand, if the money can only be dispensed.

Single heads for departmental boards is advocated by the Mayor of Hartford. Upon this question, there is a wide difference of opinion. Opponents of the proposition allege that it is in the nature of centralization of power, and that it increases the chances of "graft."

The Sultan of Turkey stands in grave danger of removal from his position. He is accused by the Young Turks of procuring the overthrow of the Cabinet organized by them, by means of a dextrously devised combination of reactionaries and radical progressives, and of plotting for abandonment of the constitution and for a full resumption of his former autocratic power.

Hartford's Mayor declares, in his annual message, that the city must increase either its grand list or its tax rate. It seems strange that the capital of the State, the seat of both executive and legislative power, should be either ignorant or disregarding of the law requiring full-value assessments—yet such appears to be the fact.

Judge Gary, the executive head of the Steel Trust, now says that President Roosevelt was "not entirely accurate" in his statement that the purpose of the Trust's absorption of its greatest competitor, the Tennessee Coal and Iron Co., was to check the "money panic" of 1907-08. This assertion knocks out the one prop under Mr. Roosevelt's defence upon the charge that he gave his consent to an absorption which was in direct violation of the anti-trust law.

On June 11th, there will go into effect in the State of Washington an anti-tipping law, under which the givers or receivers of tips in public houses or public service corporations may, upon conviction, be either fined \$250 or imprisoned for 90 days. Washington seems to be in advance of the other states upon this matter. Tipping is an importation from England and its prevalence is most extensive in "lush" times. Givers of tips hold that through them they "get better service."

The practice is wrong both in principle and effect. Wrong in principle because the entire revenue from a place of business belongs of right to its owner; wrong in effect, because it may cause poor service to patrons who do not give tips. Rightly, employers should pay adequate wages and prohibit tips.

In connection with the unanimous rejection of the public utilities bill by the Judiciary committee, the Hartford Courant declares that such commission will arrive some day in Connecticut and its teeth are likely to be stouter and sharper than this scheme. The Courant adds:

We make our bow, however, to the management that has so successfully manipulated matters as to kill off the very proposition on which the governor carried the state.

We are strongly inclined to believe that from the Republican managers

who packed the General Assembly against the measure, to Speaker Banks who apparently packed the Judiciary committee, grave errors have been made, errors which will fruit very unhappily for the party responsible for them. Public sentiment favors very strongly the creation of a public utilities commission, and is not likely to change between the present time and the election of 1910. The Republican managers will probably be told then with emphasis that it is injudicious to show so clearly as in this case their complete subservience to the dictation of public service corporations.

In his speech, Monday, in support of the Senate tariff bill, Senator Aldrich asserted his belief that the measure will produce a sufficient revenue, that a tax on incomes is not needed, and that the "unprecedented extravagance" of the last Congress caused the present revenue deficit. But he did not mention the subject of duties on coal, wood pulp and hides, which do not appear in the measure and are left to the direct action of the Senate.

Senator Aldrich stands nearly alone in his belief that the bill will produce a sufficient revenue. Most close observers hold that it will provide not nearly enough revenue. The Senator did not so state, but it is not difficult to see that he believes the Senate will levy duties on coal, wood pulp and hides and thus secure a sufficient revenue. In no other way is it possible to account for his belief in the sufficiency of the bill and for his opposition to such direct revenue-producers as taxes on incomes, inheritances, etc. The duties-reductions in the Senate bill are evidently designed to make possible a reimposition of duties upon such products as coal, wood pulp and hides.

INFLAMMATORY RHEUMATISM CURED IN 3 DAYS.

Morton L. Hill, of Lebanon, Ind., says: "My wife had inflammatory rheumatism in every muscle and joint; her suffering was terrible and her body and face were swollen almost beyond recognition; had been in bed for six weeks and had eight physicians, but none could save her life." Sold by Curtis Pharmacy, 1149 Main St. cor. Elm.

STRATFORD

The When Restaurant—Fall of a Bolt of Electricity—Severs and Fever—Going to New Haven—A Quiet Wedding—Mr. Edwards.

Father O'Connor has been visiting in Hartford and Manchester for a few days.

The family of John Preston, South Main street, contemplate moving to New Haven about the first of May. There was a rumor in town yesterday that the famous When restaurant building is in the market once more for a second time. It has been run as a pool room for some time by Allie Smith, but it was said he would soon close out that business. Every little while real estate men get letters asking if there is a store empty in town which can be rented. Now is a good time to come on and take one of the empty stores, there being at least two in Main street, between East Broadway and the depot.

It is learned that Mrs. Grace E. Preston is quite ill with a heart trouble and is under the care of Dr. Howland.

The funeral of Mrs. Mary E. St. John was held yesterday afternoon. It was private.

The people living in the center of the town were startled on Monday evening at about 7 o'clock when a bolt of electricity fell on the street not far from Wilson's drug store. It is supposed to have struck a trolley wire or a telephone pole, as many lights in the vicinity were put out of commission, the fuses being burned out. A number of lights in the Wilson pharmacy were ruined.

Some of our local residents think that if the town had a well developed system of sewerage, the public health would be better. It is known that measles, diphtheria and scarlet fever are contagious diseases, two of which at least owe their origin to a microbe which has no connection with sewerage. These diseases spread by contact and inoculation. The town is as yet too thinly populated to go to the expense of building a costly system of sewers. There might be more drain pipes running into Tanner's brook, which is a natural sewer and could be used to drain at least the business section of the town.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Conline contemplate taking a trip to Europe during the coming summer.

Miss Minnie Beers, the efficient clerk at Hanson's, has recently been visiting the Seymour family in Southport. Her home is in Milton.

On the evening of the 28th it is announced that the Oronoque Odd Fellows will give an entertainment and supper in celebration of their anniversary. Some of the Rebekah ladies will help to get up the supper, including Mrs. Stiles Smith, Mrs. Edward Pitzer and Mrs. Zenas Johnson.

The lineup for the Orioles, a local baseball team of 14-year-old youths, is as follows: Catcher, H. Roberts; pitcher, E. Almstead; shortstop, W. Smith; first base, P. McDonald; second, L. Root; third, C. Lewis; left field, H. Dutcher; center field, C. Smith; right field, N. Jelliffe.

The members of the Young Tigers baseball club are L. Cassel, C. Shaw, A. Dahlin, H. Austerlund, W. Vossel, D. London, E. Kopp, E. Wilkinson, and W. London.

The Shepherds of Bethlehem hold a meeting tomorrow evening.

There was another quiet home wedding in town yesterday afternoon, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Zenas Johnson when Dr. Z. P. Fuller, a dentist of Brooklyn, was married to Miss Elsie M. Hopkins, a teacher from the same city. The ceremony was performed by Rev. E. N. Parker.

Mrs. Julia Bond, wife of Capt. Bond, who keeps the training camp for boxers at the river, is again an applicant for a license to sell liquors.

Mr. and Mrs. Lovell have been visiting in town, have returned to Utica.

Miss Ruby Reed's guest, Miss May Vossel, has returned to Stratford.

Miss Judy Comley and her son, John, have made another visit to town recently.

Mrs. David Coe is visiting in Waterbury for a few days.

It is said the Haymakers really did go to Milford the night of the big thunder storm. And a good deal of hay was made in spite of the weather.

Mr. and Mrs. F. O. Rhoades have been visiting in town.

The sweet tenor of the Congregational church, Leroy Edwards, who has been looking poorly for some time, and evidently is not in the best of health, is to take a vacation during the summer he was at the Y. M. C. A. club on Sacoa Hill, Fairfield.

Mrs. E. Garry has a little son 11

with scarlet fever. It is said most of the cases in town are very light. As has long been known the interior of the Congregational church will be redecorated in time for the general celebration next fall. Improvements have been going on at the church ever since the middle of last summer. The latest work done was the putting in of new window sashes.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Linder are visiting in town. They come from Hartford.

At least four Rebekahs went to New Haven today to attend the general assembly of that order.

There was but one wedding in town during March. But that is an off month for weddings. There have been as many as three so far this year.

John Baldwin and Fred Yates have been visiting in town.

One so-called case of scarlet fever proves to have been a throat trouble. The newspapers made a great deal of it. It was Howard Payne and he is out again.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Foster have arrived at their new home on Paradise Green.

FAIRFIELD

An Assault Case—Baseball Notes—Country Club—Old Records—The Boxing Bout—The Electric Storm—Proposed Athletic Club.

A day or two ago one Joseph Miquot was arrested on the charge of assault and abusive language and brought before Mr. Justice Wakeman, and fined. The plaintiff was Peter Seduski, and he claimed that while calling at Miquot's house, the latter gentleman became abusive and attacked him with a stone. Attorney Clitus Kiner appeared for the defense. And now Miquot has had Seduski arrested and to-morrow the case will come up before Justice McAlpine, with Attorney Cummings for the defense. It remains to be seen what the charge is against Seduski.

The Stars of this town played a game of baseball on Sunday with the Bryant Electrics of Bridgeport and defeated them, 11 to 6. In the afternoon the Stars played another game with the Mohicans, of Bridgeport, and suffered a defeat, 16 to 8. There was quite a large crowd of spectators to watch the game.

It is said that Mrs. Middlebrook, who keeps a baby boarding house, has been very successful in this line of business and has never lost one from Flecken's. The situation of the Middlebrook house is described as very healthy and beautiful.

The following are the officers recently elected by the Fairfield Country Club: Nellie R. Sherwood, president; S. C. Bradley, first vice president; Miss G. A. Banks, second vice president; Mrs. E. B. Adams, treasurer; J. Nelson Hutchinson, secretary; J. W. Wiseman, C. H. Bradley on the board of governors for three years. The annual meeting takes place to-morrow evening, when there will be a banquet served at 9 o'clock. The ladies of the club have charge of the supper.

Looking over some old records of the Fairfield Hill church, not long ago it was found that the following gentlemen, now long since dead, were pew holders: Gershom, Nehemiah, John David and Ebenezer banks, David, Samuel, Joseph, Hezekiah, Daniel, and Gershom Bradley, Daniel and Benjamin Sherwood, and Cornelius Hull. Moses Wakeman, Joseph Hill, Daniel Sturges, Gershom Hubbard, Jonathan Diamond, Gershom Hill, John J. Hill, Samuel Whitney and David Williams.

Mrs. Warren has a class called the "Merry Workers," in the local Greenfield Sunday school.

Mrs. Edwin Sherwood and Miss Catherine have been visiting relatives in Pennsylvania.

The Brunson family, which has been living in Southport for some time, is making preparations to move into one of the Southern states.

Dr. Graves, of Orange, N. J., expects to occupy his new house on Mill Hill sometime in July.

Mr. Charles Fox, our first selectman, has recently been in Massachusetts on a fishing trip.

There is a case of measles in the Watson family on harbor road.

A couple of young ladies from Millford have been visiting in town, Miss Louise Banks and Miss Florence Gregory.

There is to be a rummage sale in Southport to-morrow in a store next to the Seymour restaurant.

Mr. and Mrs. Owen Richards have taken a rent in town. They come from Bridgeport.

Owing to the unfavorable weather and the small audience, the boxing bout from Danien to see the nature of the fight failed to materialize.

There wasn't money enough in the room to make it pay. Three men came on from Danien to see the nature of the fight, but they went away rather disappointed, to say the least. Return tickets for to-morrow night were given to those who wished, and some took their money back.

A week from Sunday the Stars of this town expect to play a game of baseball with the Stratford team.

Mr. John Wright, a conductor on the eastern end of the Consolidated road—the Plymouth division—was visiting in town on Sunday and Monday as a boy, he lived in Fairfield but got out while a young man, and has prospered and is now married. His many friends were glad to see him.

The electrical storm of Monday night played havoc with the wires and telegraph lines used in the block system on the railroad from New York to New Haven. In this town the towers were put out of commission and the trains had to run on what are known as caution cards. The electricians of the line were kept at work all night making repairs.

The funeral of Mrs. William Webb Wakeman, who died in Hot Springs, Virginia, was held this afternoon from her late residence on Rose Hill, in Southport.

A number of gentlemen in town are considering tentative plans for the organization of an athletic club, and possibly the opening of a field where all sorts of out of door games can be played. There is land in town available situated for the purpose, which can be rented, and it is thought an agreement is given to the project this will probably be done. To the end that the matter may be talked over, the town aroused, a meeting has been called for to-morrow afternoon at 4 o'clock, at the parlors of the Congregational church. The intention is to awaken a certain esprit de corps in the Sunday school; to bring the young men of the town together; to give them a place where they can engage in healthy physical exercise; and to set in motion a train of influences which may, in time, result in a parish house, where there can be room for a young men's club, with all the good things which go with a well conducted institution intended to benefit the physical, moral and spiritual being. What is needed is to make a beginning; to form some sort of an organization, and then grow into a more consolidated and useful body by the process of evolution, until a certain degree of success has been attained.

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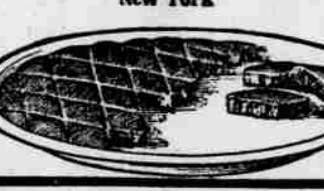
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NOTICE.

AN ORDINANCE DE ASSISTANT BUILDING INSPECTOR.

In compliance with votes taken by the Common Council on the 15th day of March 1909, the following Ordinance was adopted:

Be it ordained by the Common Council of the City of Bridgeport: That the Board of Aldermen shall, during the month of April 1909, elect by ballot an Assistant Building Inspector, who shall hold office until February 1, 1912, and until his successor shall be elected; in January 1912, and triennially during the term of his office.

Said Assistant Building Inspector shall be a competent mason and expert in masonry construction of all kinds and description. It shall be his duty, under the supervision and direction of the Building Inspector, to examine the condition of all buildings undergoing alterations or being erected within the City of Bridgeport, and to notify the owners of said buildings of any violation of the law concerning the alteration and erection of the same, and to report such violations to the Building Inspector.

Said Assistant Building Inspector shall be under the direction of the Building Inspector except in so far as the Building Commissioners shall otherwise so direct. Said Assistant Building Inspector shall receive as compensation for his services, the sum of One Thousand Dollars per year, and a proportionate amount of said yearly salary, to be determined by the City Auditor, for that period in the term of his office extending from his election in April 1909 to February 1, 1910, and shall devote his whole time to the duties of his office.

Said Assistant Building Inspector shall perform, in addition to the duties herein prescribed for him, such other duties as may be imposed upon him by the Common Council.

Adopted March 15, 1909.

April 20, 1909, became operative without the Mayor's approval.

Attest: J. J. GILL, Asst. City Clerk.

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